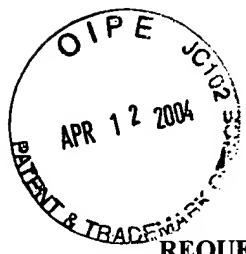


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Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) of prior application No. 09/824,074
filed on April 2, 2001, entitled IMPROVEMENTS IN RECIPROCATING MACHINES

The term for response or taking action in the prior application expires on February 22, 2004.

☒ An extension of time for response in the prior application is:

☒ filed concurrently herewith.

☐ has been filed on.

☐ Enter the unentered amendment previously filed on _____
under 37 CFR 1.116 in the prior nonprovisional application.

☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____

☒ An amendment is enclosed.

☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) enclosed

Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) is enclosed.

☒ PTO-1449

☒ Copies of IDS Citations

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☐ The amendment fee has been calculated as shown below:

	Claims remaining after amend. (Col. 1)	Highest No. Prev. Paid for (Col. 2)		Present extra (Col. 3)	<u>SMALL ENTITY</u> <u>RATEFEE</u>		or	<u>OTHER THAN A</u> <u>SMALL ENTITY</u> <u>RATEFEE</u>	
Total	*	Minus **	=	0	x 9 =	\$0	or	x 18 =	\$0
Ind.	*	Minus ***	=	0	x 42 =	\$0	or	x 84 =	\$0
() First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claim					+ 140 =	\$0	or	+ 280 =	\$0
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE					=	\$0	or	TOTAL	\$0

* If the entry in Col. 1 is less than the entry in Col. 2, write "0" in Col. 3.

** If the "Highest No. prev. paid for" in this space is less than 20, write "20" in this space.

*** If the "Highest No. prev. paid for" in this space is less than 3, write "3" in this space.

☒ An Extension of Time to file an Appeal Brief due February 22, 2004 is hereby requested. The required fee, indicated below, is enclosed herewith.

Calculation of extension fee (37 CFR 1.17(1)-(5)):

	Extension (months)	Fee for other than small entity	Fee for small entity
<input type="checkbox"/>	one month	\$110.00	\$55.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	two months	\$420.00	\$210.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	three months	\$950.00	\$475.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	four months	\$1,480.00	\$740.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	five months	\$2,010.00	\$1,005.00

Fee \$420.00

☒ If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.
(check and complete the next item, if applicable)

☐ An extension for _____ months has already been secured and the fee paid therefor of \$ _____ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.

Extension fee due with this request \$ _____

Fee Payment Being Made:

☐ Enclosed

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	RCE filing fee	\$770.00
	Amendment Fee	\$
	Extension of Time Fee	\$420.00
	Total Fees	\$1190.00

☐ A check in the amount of \$0.00 is enclosed.

☐ Other _____

☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR 1.16, 1.17, and 1.21(h) associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. **06-0923**. Two copies of this sheet are enclosed.

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